10. Site Criteria for Expansion of Jail & the Joint Use Stabilization Center

Jail Expansion

Scope: the purpose of this needs assessment specifically confined our expansion options to the Justice Center site; However as a part of our due diligence, we confirmed the functionality and operational efficiency maintained by having the jail adjacent to other justice components, particularly, since the 1990 addition continues to function well.

There we 4 possibilities to expand the jail:

- Vertically above the 1990 direct supervision pods
- North in the justice plaza toward W. Front St.
- West in the parking lot toward S. Center St.
- East in the parking lot toward S. East St.

Branch

W Olive St

Branch 51

Direct Supervision: 108

Dorm 46

Linear 64

Intake/Special Holding 16

234

Vertical Option

Although it appears that the 1990 jail pods were structurally designed to expand vertically, the construction and system details would require the evacuation of the existing pods, making this option operationally and economically unfeasible forcing almost half of the existing beds to be relocated during 2 years of construction. This option also doesn't provide enough square footage, or the best location of required support facilities (kitchen).

North Option

This option provides the largest area for construction but isn't functionally, operationally, or aesthetically in the correct location. It doesn't allow an acceptable connection to the existing jail at the 2nd floor or a viable area for the jail support (kitchen/service entry) on the first level.

West Option

This option would be feasible functionally and operationally for the internal jail 2nd floor, but construction in this area would have considerable ramifications to the patrol, law enforcement and sheriff staff, and public access to the jail during construction and if the kitchen were located on the first floor it would displace already tight authorized vehicle parking.

East Option (Recommended Option)

Functionally and operationally this option is linked directly to the 2nd floor jail and provides space at the first floor for needed service and kitchen areas.

This option also displaces parking bust is adjacent to an underutilized parking deck.

In addition, this option allows the jail visitor area to relocate tot eh additions first floor freeing up congestion in the booking area and locating closer to the public parking deck.

Joint Use Community Crisis Stabilization Facility

For the recommendations and analysis is chapter 9, it has been determined that the community crisis facility is best separated from the jail and any efficiencies of staff or programs could be gained without co-locating.

That being said, it appears a portion of the first floor jail expansion would be available for some form of diversion, re-entry, or community correction program, if not the community crisis stabilization center.

Future Expansion Beyond 2035

The long term expansion options for this site have not been exhausted. The vertical and west options would become more feasible in the future and could be considered at that time.